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**Cc:** Smith, Paula[Smith.Paula@epa.gov]; Card, Joan[Card.Joan@epa.gov]; Dolph, Becky[Dolph.Becky@epa.gov]  
**From:** Boydston, Michael  
**Sent:** Tue 1/5/2016 6:20:12 PM  
**Subject:** RE: GKM FOIA Request that you should be aware of (EPA-R8-2016-002389)

Thanks, Laura. Just to clarify one perhaps irrelevant point, I won't necessarily be the only one reviewing the search results. We are working with Becky Dolph and the FOIA Expert Assistance Team in OGC on this, and they or others in OGC may be doing part of the review. In any case we'll be consulting closely with them. And, as Alan notes below, we expect to be coordinating with the Administrator's office so that they have a chance to review any results from that office. We may be checking in with various other offices as well, depending on the results of the search.

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**From:** Jenkins, Laura Flynn  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 05, 2016 11:14 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Boydston, Michael <Boydston.Michael@epa.gov>; Smith, Paula <Smith.Paula@epa.gov>; Card, Joan <Card.Joan@epa.gov>  
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Nancy:

I spoke with Mike Boydston this morning and he said it will probably be another week or two before the emails are compiled. Once compiled, he'll need to go through each email to determine what, if anything, needs to be redacted from each message. Depending on the volume of emails involved, this process could take another few weeks to complete.

Once the redacted versions are ready, he'll route to you so you know what's being transmitted.

Mike said there's a chance this could happen a little bit sooner but he won't know for sure until he speaks with Alan Engels, R8 FOIA Officer, who's out until tomorrow.

Stay tuned as this progresses.....

Laura Jenkins

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**From:** Grantham, Nancy

**Sent:** Monday, January 04, 2016 10:45 AM

**To:** Smith, Paula <[Smith.Paula@epa.gov](mailto:Smith.Paula@epa.gov)>; Jenkins, Laura Flynn <[Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov](mailto:Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov)>

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Thanks .. important that we see before it goes as it is a media request. thanks ng

**From:** Smith, Paula

**Sent:** Monday, January 04, 2016 12:44 PM

**To:** Jenkins, Laura Flynn <[Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov](mailto:Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** Fwd: GKM FOIA Request that you should be aware of (EPA-R8-2016-002389)

Laura- could you follow up with Mike B on request and status as they get ready to release?  
Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Grantham, Nancy" <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** January 4, 2016 at 10:23:57 AM MST  
**To:** "Card, Joan" <[Card.Joan@epa.gov](mailto:Card.Joan@epa.gov)>, "Smith, Paula" <[Smith.Paula@epa.gov](mailto:Smith.Paula@epa.gov)>, "Dolph, Becky" <[Dolph.Becky@epa.gov](mailto:Dolph.Becky@epa.gov)>, "Engels, Alan" <[engels.alan@epa.gov](mailto:engels.alan@epa.gov)>  
**Subject: RE: GKM FOIA Request that you should be aware of (EPA-R8-2016-002389)**

Thanks .. please keep me looped in so we are aware of what is being released prior to the release. What is the due date. Thanks ng

**From:** Card, Joan  
**Sent:** Monday, January 04, 2016 11:40 AM  
**To:** Grantham, Nancy <[Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Subject: FW: GKM FOIA Request that you should be aware of (EPA-R8-2016-002389)**

Found this in my inbox just now. Forwarding just to be sure you're aware. Joan

**From:** Smith, Paula  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 30, 2015 9:51 AM  
**To:** McGrath, Shaun <[McGrath.Shaun@epa.gov](mailto:McGrath.Shaun@epa.gov)>; Card, Joan <[Card.Joan@epa.gov](mailto:Card.Joan@epa.gov)>; Ward, W. Robert <[Ward.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Ward.Robert@epa.gov)>  
**Subject: FW: GKM FOIA Request that you should be aware of (EPA-R8-2016-002389)**

F Y awareness.

- Paula

**From:** Engels, Alan  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 30, 2015 9:06 AM  
**To:** Mills, Derek <[Mills.Derek@epa.gov](mailto:Mills.Derek@epa.gov)>; Dolph, Becky <[Dolph.Becky@epa.gov](mailto:Dolph.Becky@epa.gov)>

**Cc:** Smith, Paula <[Smith.Paula@epa.gov](mailto:Smith.Paula@epa.gov)>; Dew, Wendy <[Dew.Wendy@epa.gov](mailto:Dew.Wendy@epa.gov)>; Duran, Matt <[duran.matt@epa.gov](mailto:duran.matt@epa.gov)>; Young, Adrea <[Young.Adrea@epa.gov](mailto:Young.Adrea@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** GKM FOIA Request that you should be aware of (EPA-R8-2016-002389)

On 12/29/2015, the Daily Caller News Foundation is: Requesting copies of any and all emails regarding the Gold King Mine that includes the phrase "talking points" from Aug. 1, 2015 to Dec. 21, 2015.

The request was narrowed to only include Emails pertaining to those sent or received by :

-EPA Administrator, Gina McCarthy

-Acting Deputy Administrator, Stan Meiburg

-Office of Congressional And Intergovernmental Relations Acting Associate Administrator, Nichole Distefano

-Office of Congressional And Intergovernmental Relations Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Joyce Frank

-Office of Public Affairs Acting Associate Administrator, Liz Cunningham-Purchia

-Office of Public Affairs Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Roxanne Smith

-General Counsel, Avi Garbow

-Region 8 Administrator, Shaun McGrath

-Region 8 Counsel, Robert Ward

-Region 8 Communications and Public Involvement Director, Paula Smith

As indicated below, the OEI Search has been submitted with the search criteria: "Gold King\*" OR "GKM" AND "talking points" or the period listed above.

Once we have the results of the search, ORC and OGC will review the results. We will also

make sure that the results can be reviewed by the administrator's immediate office to ensure all redactions are applied appropriately.

If you have any questions pertaining to this FOIA request /action, please feel free to contact me.

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**From:** eDiscovery [mailto:[no-reply@sharepointonline.com](mailto:no-reply@sharepointonline.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 30, 2015 8:44 AM  
**To:** Engels, Alan <[engels.alan@epa.gov](mailto:engels.alan@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** eDiscovery, eDiscovery <[eDiscovery@epa.gov](mailto:eDiscovery@epa.gov)>; MacLeish, Phoebe <[Macleish.Phoeb@epa.gov](mailto:Macleish.Phoeb@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Your eDiscovery Service Request has been Received.

Hello,

We have received your eDiscovery Service Request. You will be notified when a technician has been assigned and work on your request has begun.

Request Title or Identifier: FOIA EPA-R8-2016-002389

Request Status: Started

**Note:** Click [here](#) to access the request.

An Electronic Discovery number (ED #) will be assigned to this request by the technician, and will be included in all future emails regarding this request. When your request has been completed, you will be notified via email and directed to the location where you can retrieve the results of your request.

Please contact the eDiscovery team if you have any questions at  
[eDiscovery@epa.gov](mailto:eDiscovery@epa.gov) or 1-855-372-3472.

Thank you.

(Internal Identifier: 768)